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SUBJECT: IWC OBSERVERS FOR MINKE WHALING OPERATION

1. THE IWC HAS CONTACTED THE US TO ASK THAT WE CONSIDER EXPANDING THE IWC WHALE OBSERVER SCHEME TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL OBSERVERS FOR THE MINKE WHALE FISHERIES. IN THE 1977 SEASON, CATCH LIMITS WERE ESTABLISHED FOR THE FIRST TIME FOR MINKE WHALES IN THE NORTH PACIFIC. THESE WHALES ARE PROCESSED AT LAND STATIONS NOT REGULARLY USED FOR THE PROCESSING OF OTHER WHALES, AND CANNOT BE COVERED BY THE PRESENT 2 OBSERVERS. THE MINKE WHALE SEASON ALSO RUNS CONCURRENTLY WITH THE BRYDE'S WHALE SEASON, AND OVERLAPS WITH THE SPERM WHALE SEASON, AND AN ADDITIONAL OBSERVER IS THERE-
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FORE NECESSARY.

2- EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE GOJ OFFICIALS TO REQUEST THEIR VIEWS ON EXPANDING THE US-JAPAN OBSERVER PROGRAM TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL US OBSERVER FOR THE MINKE WHALE FISHERY. IT IS THE US VIEW THAT THERE ARE PARTICULAR OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH PLACING OB-

SERVICES IN THE MINKE WHALE FISHERY, WHICH ARE COMMON TO BOTH NORTH ATLANTIC AND NORTH PACIFIC MINKE FISHERIES; AND THAT PLACEMENT OF ADDITIONAL OBSERVER SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN BOTH OCEANS AFTER THE ANALYSIS AND REPORT REQUESTED BY

THE IWC FOR THE 30TH ANNUAL MEETING REGARDING THE ATLANTIC MINKE WHALE OBSERVER SCHEME HAS BEEN CONSIDERED. USG ASSUMES GOJ HAS RECEIVED SIMILAR COMMUNICATION FROM IWC. PLEASE ADVISE IF GOJ IS IN AGREEMENT WITH FOREGOING PROPOSED U.S. RESPONSE, AND IF THEY PLAN TO RESPOND TO IWC IN A SIMILAR MANNER. VANCE

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